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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 29, 2005,  
Applicants respectfully requests that the application be amended as  
follows.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

The Remarks portion begin on page 18 of this Amendment.